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Process for preparing alpha-hydroxycarboxylate

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Verfahren zum Herstellen von Alpha-Hydroxycarboxylaten

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[origin: EP0945423A2] There is herein disclosed a process for efficiently preparing, from an alpha -hydroxycarboxylic amide and an alcohol in an industrially advantageous manner, an alpha -hydroxycarboxylate which is useful as any of raw materials for solvents, food additives, perfumes, various organic medicines and the like. According to the present invention, there is provided a process for preparing an alpha -hydroxycarboxylate which comprises the step of reacting an alpha -hydroxycarboxylic amide and an alcohol in the presence of a catalyst in a liquid phase, while an ammonia concentration in a reaction solution is maintained at 0.1% by weight or less by discharging generated ammonia as a gas into a gaseous phase. <IMAGE>

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